

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. M: 37-9

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Glickman's Service Station

and/or common Takoma Old Town Auto Service Center

## 2. Location

street & number 7060 Carroll Avenue ☐ not for publicationcity, town Takoma Park ☐ vicinity of ☐ congressional district 13state Maryland ☐ county Montgomery

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Frank Calcara et al

street &amp; number 2817 Ordway, N.W. telephone no.:

city, town Washington ☐ state and zip code DC 20008

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Courthouse ☐ liber 5033street & number ☐ folio 873city, town Rockville ☐ state Maryland

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town ☐ state

## 7. Description

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### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☒ unaltered  
☐ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Takoma Old Town Auto Service Center, formerly Glickman's Service Station, is an elaborate Tudor structure built of brick with a slate roof. The garage portion has a hip-on-gable roof atop a half-timbered gable. The other end of this roof abuts the side of (i.e., is perpendicular to) the roof of the office portion, which has half-timbered, stuccoed gable ends. A small brick chimney rises from the lower edge of the northeast roof. Slate and brick from a range of colors were used on this building, and large irregular pieces of stone form surrounds for doors and windows. Wood modillions support the cornice, and the gutters and downspouts are of copper.

The main elevation faces southeast onto Carroll Avenue, and consists of two windows and a door for the garage portion on the left, and a large show window and round-headed doorway to the office portion on the right. The show window consists of a single large pane of glass flanked on each side by a vertical row of several small lights. The sash is of wood. The window sits between two projecting brick piers which support a small, mansarded metal roof. The main doorway has its original round-headed, glazed, wood door set deep in a reveal. This reveal consists of a brick arch behind a massive surround of rough-cut stone of varying sized pieces, some of which form voussoirs for the arch. A tall, vertical, louvered vent in the half-timbered gable ventilates the attic over the office.

The northeast elevation faces Tulip Avenue and contains a round-headed window with a stone sill, a brick arch and stone impost blocks. To the right of this window is a projecting bay of wood, supported on brackets, and containing three windows separated by wood mullions whose bottoms are deteriorating. The upper sash of these windows contain nine lights; the lower sash have been replaced by plywood sheets. Above each window is a stucco panel. At the right end of this elevation is a segmentally arched doorway to the restrooms. Stone voussoirs form the arch, and occasional pieces of stone accent the doorway. The northwest elevation contains two small, rectangular windows lighting the restrooms. The southwest elevation contains double, wood-and-glazed garage doors.

Between the building and the street is a paved area which, until a few years ago, contained the gasoline pumps. These were removed by the present owner. The interior of the building is essentially unchanged from its original form and arrangement. The high-ceilinged office still has its wood shelving. Behind a door in its northwest wall a staircase leads to the attic, which is used for storage.

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

<b>Specific dates</b>	c. 1932	<b>Builder/Architect</b>
check: Applicable Criteria:	<input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	
and/or		
Applicable Exception:	<input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance:	<input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The first mention of Glickman's Service Station was in the 1933 *Takoma Park Directory and Year Book*. This directory also contained an ad in which the business advertised itself as an Esso station at the corner of Carroll and Tulip Avenues.<sup>1</sup> Since the lot (Number 23) where it now stands was vacant on the 1931 Klinge Atlas, the station was apparently built sometime between 1931 and 1933. At that time it was owned by Abe and Sarah Glickman and Isaac and Mary Sterling (Deed 364/156). Harry Glickman was the proprietor. Despite the Depression, Harry Glickman prospered and by 1938 had four service stations (two in the D.C. portion of Takoma Park and two in the Maryland portion). He was listed as a member of the Chamber of Commerce in the *1938 Takoma Park Booster*.<sup>2</sup> In 1943, however, Abe Glickman and Alex Sterling leased the property to the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey (Lease 905/1). This lease described it as a "Drive-in gasoline service station...one service station building, two covered pits..." and a great deal of equipment including machinery, tools, one York safe, one ice water cooler, one Coca Cola Ice Box, and one Postal Telegraph Clock.

The significance of this site is definitely architectural. It is one of the most unusual gasoline stations remaining in the County. Built in the Tudor revival style, its designer and builder were generous in their detailing and execution. The materials are of very high quality, and the design is quite sophisticated and elaborate for a small commercial structure. The Tudor style was extremely popular for residential buildings in the late 1920s and early 1930s, and commercial structures built in suburban communities during that period often used the style as well, so as to better blend in with the neighborhood and minimize their commercial presence. The Leland and the Montgomery Hills Shopping Centers are examples of this. However, no other remaining examples of Tudor gasoline stations have been found in the County. Thus Glickman's Service Station is significant not only for its architectural features, but also as the only remaining example of the Tudor style applied to this particular building type.

1. *The Takoma Park Directory and Year Book* (Takoma Park, MD: The Takoma Record, 1933).

2. *The Takoma Park Booster* (Takoma Park Chamber of Commerce, 1938), p. 2.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Montgomery County Land Records and Tax Assessment Records.  
Klinge Atlases, 1931 & 1935.  
Takoma Park Directory, 1933. C & P Telephone Directory, 1939-40.  
Polk Directory, 1930. Takoma Park Booster, 1938.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 5,365 Sq. Ft.

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state \_\_\_\_\_ code \_\_\_\_\_ county \_\_\_\_\_ code \_\_\_\_\_

state \_\_\_\_\_ code \_\_\_\_\_ county \_\_\_\_\_ code \_\_\_\_\_

## 11. Form Prepared By

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7060 Carroll Avenue

Takoma Park, MD

Andrea Rebeck

1987

Southeast Elevation